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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
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ART UNIT 2186****OFFICIAL****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

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For: A METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR PIPELINING ORDERED  
INPUT/OUTPUT TRANS-  
ACTIONS TO COHERENT  
MEMORY IN A DISTRIBUTED  
MEMORY, CACHE COHERENT  
MULTI-PROCESSOR SYSTEM

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 26, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.